

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

There is provided a method of saving medication costs by redistributing unused medications. The method first features the step of receiving a request to fill a prescription for the medication of a patient serviced by a patient care facility. Thereafter, unit doses of the medication are assembled based upon the prescription. Each of the unit doses are individually identified with a lot number and an expiration date. The method further features the step of distributing the assembled unit doses to the patient care facility. Then, an unused portion of the unit doses is received from the patient care facility. An amount of such unused portion is identified and credited to the patient care facility. The identified unused portion of the unit doses are stored and later redistributed so as to mitigate the cost of the medication.